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Patent

Attorney Docket No. 1011350-000265

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

Tomohiko Teranishi et al.

Application No.: 09/729,351

Filing Date: December 5, 2000

Title: APPARATUS, METHOD AND
COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT
FOR PROCESSING DOCUMENT
IMAGES OF VARIOUS SIZES AND
ORIENTATIONS

) MAIL STOP AF

) Group Art Unit: 2625

) Examiner: Michael L. Burleson

) Confirmation No.: 6715

AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed.
- ☐ _____ Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the ☐ \$ 65 ☐ \$ 130 fee per Disclaimer due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are enclosed.
- ☐ Also enclosed is/are: _____
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☐ Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$ 395 ☐ \$ 790 fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☐ Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.
- ☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted _____ on _____ for which continued examination is requested.
- ☐ Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least _____, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- ☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.
- ☐ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

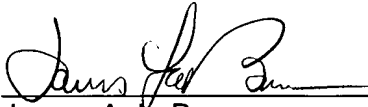
AMENDED CLAIMS					
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	6	20	0	x \$ 50 (1202)	\$ 0
Independent Claims	4	10	0	x \$ 200 (1201)	0
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Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 0
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$ 0

- ☐ Charge _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
- ☐ A check in the amount of _____ is enclosed for the fee due.
- ☐ Charge _____ to credit card for the fee due. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of claims 6-11.

The rejection of claim 6, on the basis of the *Salgado et al.* patent (U.S. 5,946,527) was repeated. In their previous response, Applicants pointed out that the *Salgado* patent discloses that, when the imaging system is operated in the mixed size originals mode, the size of each document is detected. Then, the appropriate paper size for *that* document is selected. As a result, the document image with the largest size will be printed on paper of a corresponding size, but smaller document images may be printed on smaller paper. As such, the *Salgado* patent does not teach that all of the image data of a print job should be printed on paper with a size equal to or larger than the detected maximum size

In responding to this argument, the most recent Office Action characterizes the *Salgado* patent as teaching that, in the auto-fit mode, the image size of all the